(b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Union Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VIDYACHARAN SHUKLA): (a) and (b) No proposal for construction of tidal bank along the coast line to prevent damage from frequent cyclones is received in the Central Water Commission. However, a scheme for prevention of erosion on the beach at Uppada village near Kakinada Port at an estimated cost of Rs. 65 lakhs was received in April, 1991. After examination, observation have been sent to Andhra Pradesh Government in July, 1991 for compliance.

Implementation of Recommendations of Malhotra Committee on Property Tax Reforms

2241. SHRI MADAN LAL KHURANA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether M.C.D. has issued highly inflated property tax notices to a large number of property owners in Delhi in 1991 without mentioning the basis thereof; and

(b) whether the Government propose to implement the Malhotra Committee recommendations to rationalise the property tax in order to provide relief to the property owners?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) The Municipal Corporation authorities have stated that they have not issued highly inflated property tax notices to a large number of property owners in Delhi without mentioning the basis thereof.

(b) The Committee set up to recommend an appropriate structure of property tax as also suitable procedures fo its implementation have given their report to the Delhi Administration. A proposal to bring about suitable legislative changes in the laws governing municipal bodies is under examination by the Delhi Administration.

[Translation]

Hotels and Guest Houses in Delhi

2242. SHRI KALKA DASS: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of hotels and guest houses being run in Karol Bagh, Ram Nagar, Shankar Nagar and Paharganj areas of Delhi;

(b) the details of licenced and unlicenced hotels and guest houses among those; and

(c) the steps taken or proposed to be taken to close those unlicenced hotels and guest houses?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) The number of hotels and guest houses being run in these areas is as under:

	Hotels	*Guest Houses*	*Total*
Karol Bagh	32	24	56
Ram Nagar	25	14	39
Shankar Nagar	..	..	..
Paharganj	34	60	94